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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above, filed on March 4, 2002. Prior to examination of the application, please enter the following amendments to the specification and claims.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend paragraphs 13 and 36 as indicated in Appendix A. The revised paragraphs, with all changes made, are set forth in Appendix B.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1, 2, 14-16, 23, and 24 as indicated in Appendix C. The amended claims will then read as follows:

1. (Amended) A copolymer prepared by copolymerization of a first monomer having the structure of formula (I)